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Final corrections are now being made on construction plans to widen and improve Dominguez channel between Denker and Vermont avenues and it is expected that the \$2,000,000 project will be advertised for bids within 60 days, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn announced this week.

Construction of the new channel section will be on a new alignment south of Artesia boulevard and will eliminate two crossings under Artesia.

New bridges will be constructed across the new channel at Normandie and Vermont as a part of the basic contract. These bridges will be full-width and will greatly increase the capacity of the channel to carry the large volumes of water following storms.

Supervisor Hahn pointed out that much of the flooding in Gardena and Torrance has been caused by the inability of the culverts in the present bridges to carry the water through. As a result the water has backed up, flooding large areas.

"This situation will be greatly improved with the new channel and the new bridges," Supervisor Hahn declared.

Plans also call for the extension of the recently completed Normandie avenue bond issue storm drain from its outlet north of Artesia to the new

alignment of the channel, which is south of and parallel to Artesia.

The new section of the channel will be 75 feet wide on a 125-foot right-of-way. The channel will be lined with permanent concrete banks.

One of the first steps in the planned \$19,000,000 channel improvement program between

120th street and the ocean, this project will require approximately one year to build, Supervisor Hahn stated.

During this time, plans for the next section north, the channel reach between Denker and Gramercy place, will be prepared so that construction will proceed on the second unit the

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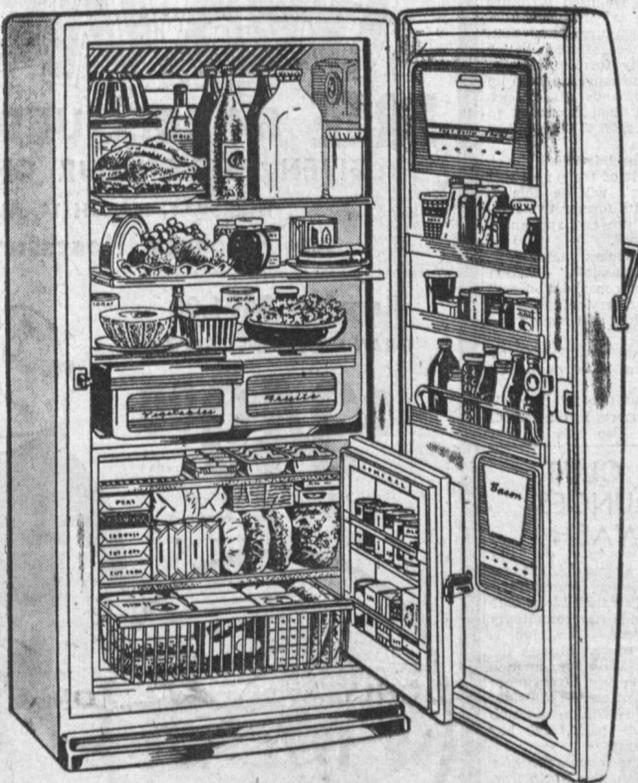
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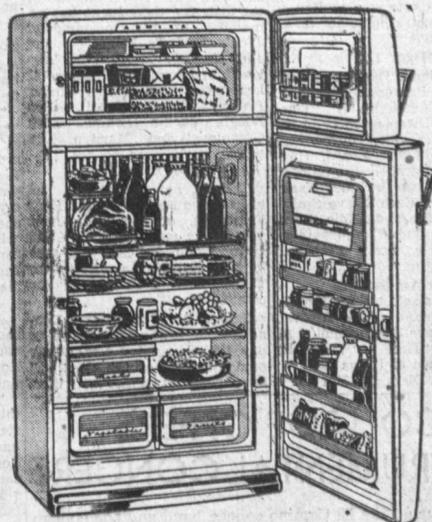
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